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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF MONROE

MARTIN REYES,

*Plaintiff,*

v.

GERARD J. GULI, f/k/a FATHER GERARD J. GULI; ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NY; ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, a/k/a ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI PARISH; ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH OF AUBURN, NY, a/k/a ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH; THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES OF ROCHESTER, NY, a/k/a HOLY APOSTLES PARISH; ST. AMBROSE CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NY; PEACE OF CHRIST PARISH; BRIDGET'S CHURCH, a/k/a ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH ROCHESTER; IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ST. BRIDGET CHURCH SOCIETY; ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH OF ELMIRA, NEW YORK; BLESSED SACRAMENT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ELMIRA, N.Y., a/k/a BLESSED SACRAMENT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ELMIRA, NY; THE PARISH OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS, CHEMUNG COUNTY, NY; ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NEW YORK; ST. SALOME CHURCH; KATERI TEKAKWITHA ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH, MONROE COUNTY, NY; CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER; and THE CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER,

*Defendants.*

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**SUMMONS**

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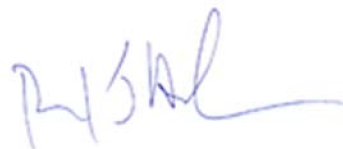
To the above named Defendant(s)

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

The basis of venue is one or more Defendant resides in Monroe County, New York, which is located in Monroe County, New York.

Dated: New York, New York  
October 29, 2019

SIMMONS HANLY CONROY LLC



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Defendant/Counsel	Service Address
GERARD J. GULI, f/k/a FATHER GERARD J. GULI	Monroe County, New York
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NY	869 Clinton Avenue North, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, a/k/a ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI PARISH	124 Evergreen Street, Rochester, New York 14605, in Monroe County, New York
ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH OF AUBURN, NY, a/k/a ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH	15 Clark Street, Auburn, Cayuga County, New York
THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES OF ROCHESTER, NY, a/k/a HOLY APOSTLES PARISH	7 Austin Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
ST. AMBROSE CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NY	25 Empire Boulevard, Rochester,

	Monroe County, New York
PEACE OF CHRIST PARISH	25 Empire Boulevard, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
BRIDGET'S CHURCH, a/k/a ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH ROCHESTER	445 Frederick Douglass Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ST. BRIDGET CHURCH SOCIETY	445 Frederick Douglass Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH OF ELMIRA, NEW YORK	1010 Davis Street, Elmira, Chemung County, New York
BLESSED SACRAMENT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ELMIRA, N.Y., a/k/a BLESSED SACRAMENT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ELMIRA, NY	1010 Davis Street, Elmira, Chemung County, New York
THE PARISH OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS, CHEMUNG COUNTY, NY	1010 Davis Street, Elmira, Chemung County, New York
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	Whitney Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
ST. SALOME CHURCH	445 Kings Highway South, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
KATERI TEKAKWITHA ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH, MONROE COUNTY, NY	445 Kings Highway South, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER	1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, Monroe County, New York
THE CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER	1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, Monroe County, New York

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**COMPLAINT**

**JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

Plaintiff Martin Reyes, by his attorneys Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC and the Law Offices of Mitchell Garabedian, brings this action against Gerard J. Guli, formerly known as Father Gerard J. Guli; St. Michael's Church of Rochester, NY; Roman Catholic Parish of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, also known as St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish; St. Mary of the Assumption Church of Auburn, NY, also known as St. Mary of the Assumption Parish; The Church of the Holy Apostles of Rochester, NY, also known as Holy Apostles

Parish; St. Ambrose Church of Rochester, NY; Peace of Christ Parish; St. Michael's Church of Rochester, NY, Roman Catholic Parish of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, also known as St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish; St. Bridget's Church, also known as St. Bridget's Church Rochester; Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget Church Society; St. Anthony's Church of Elmira, New York; Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church of Elmira, N.Y., also known as Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church of Elmira, NY; The Parish of The Most Holy Name of Jesus, Chemung County, NY; St. Francis of Assisi Church of Rochester, New York; St. Salome Church; Kateri Tekakwitha Roman Catholic Parish, Monroe County, NY; Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester; and The Catholic Youth Organization of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester, and alleges, on personal knowledge as to himself and on information and belief as to all other matters, as follows:

### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

1. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the Defendants pursuant to CPLR 301 and 302, in that the Defendants reside in New York.
2. This Court has jurisdiction over this action because the amount of damages Plaintiff seeks exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts that would otherwise have jurisdiction.
3. Venue for this action is proper in the County of Monroe pursuant to CPLR 503 in that one or more of the Defendants reside in this County and a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claims asserted herein occurred in this County.

### **PARTIES**

4. Plaintiff Martin Reyes ("Plaintiff") is an individual residing in Rochester, Monroe County, New York.
5. Defendant Gerard J. Guli, formerly known as Father Gerard J. Guli ("Father Guli"), is an individual residing in Monroe County, New York. At all relevant times, Defendant Father Guli served as a Roman Catholic priest.

6. Defendant St. Mary of the Assumption Church of Auburn, NY, also known as St. Mary of the Assumption Parish ("St. Mary's"), was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 15 Clark Street, Auburn, Cayuga County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of St. Mary's, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of St. Mary's.

7. Defendant The Church of the Holy Apostles of Rochester, NY, also known as Holy Apostles Parish ("Holy Apostles Church") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 7 Austin Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of Holy Apostles Church, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of Holy Apostles Church.

8. Defendant St. Ambrose Church of Rochester, NY ("St. Ambrose Church") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 25 Empire Boulevard, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of St. Ambrose Church, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of St. Ambrose Church.

9. Defendant Peace of Christ Parish is a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and is a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 25 Empire Boulevard, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. As a result of a corporate merger, Defendant Peace of Christ Parish is the legal successor to Defendant St. Ambrose Church.



10. Defendant St. Michael's Church of Rochester, NY ("St. Michael's") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 869 Clinton Avenue North, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of St. Michael's, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of St. Michael's.

11. Defendant Roman Catholic Parish of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, also known as, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish ("St. Frances Xavier Cabrini") is a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 124 Evergreen Street, Rochester, New York 14605, in Monroe County, New York. As a result of several corporate mergers, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is the legal successor to Defendant St. Michael's. At relevant times, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of The Diocese of Rochester.

12. Defendant St. Bridget's Church, also known as St. Bridget's Church Rochester ("St. Bridget's") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office formerly at 175 St. Bridget's Drive, Rochester, Monroe County, New York and now at 445 Frederick Douglass Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of St. Bridget's, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of St. Bridget's.

13. Defendant Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget Church Society ("Immaculate Conception") is a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and is a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 445 Frederick Douglass Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. As a result of a corporate merger, Defendant

Immaculate Conception is the legal successor to Defendant St. Bridget's.

14. Defendant St. Anthony's Church of Elmira, New York ("St. Anthony's") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office formerly at 204 West Washington Avenue, Elmira, Chemung County, New York and now at 1010 Davis Street, Elmira, Chemung County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of St. Anthony's, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of St. Anthony's.

15. Defendant Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church of Elmira, N.Y., also known as Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church of Elmira, NY ("Blessed Sacrament") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office formerly at 604 Park Place, Elmira, Chemung County, New York and now at 1010 Davis Street, Elmira, Chemung County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of Blessed Sacrament, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of Blessed Sacrament. As a result of a corporate merger, Defendant Blessed Sacrament was the legal successor to Defendant St. Anthony's.

16. Defendant The Parish of The Most Holy Name of Jesus, Chemung County, NY ("Most Holy Name") is a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and is a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 1010 Davis Street, Elmira, Chemung County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of Most Holy Name, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of Most Holy Name. As a result of

corporate mergers, Defendant Most Holy Name is the legal successor to Defendants St. Anthony's and Blessed Sacrament.

17. Defendant St. Francis of Assisi Church of Rochester, New York ("St. Francis") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office formerly at 77 Whitney Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of St. Francis, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of St. Francis.

18. Defendant St. Salome Church ("St. Salome") was a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and was a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office formerly at 4282 Culver Road, Rochester, Monroe County, New York and now at 445 Kings Highway South, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of St. Salome, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of St. Salome.

19. Defendant Kateri Tekakwitha Roman Catholic Parish, Monroe County, NY ("Kateri Tekakwitha") is a Roman Catholic parish within and under the authority of the Bishop of Rochester and is a religious corporation organized pursuant to the Religious Corporations Law with its principal office at 445 Kings Highway South, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At relevant and material times, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rochester, New York was the President of Kateri Tekakwitha, and the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Rochester, New York was the Vice-President of Kateri Tekakwitha. As a result of a corporate merger, Defendant Kateri Tekakwitha is the legal successor to Defendant St. Salome.

20. Defendant Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester ("Catholic

Charities") is a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to New York's Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, with its principal office at 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. At all relevant times, Catholic Charities created, oversaw, supervised, managed, controlled, directed and operated facilities and activities under the name of, or with the name of, Catholic Youth Organization, including a center with a swimming pool located at relevant times at or near 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York.

21. Defendant The Catholic Youth Organization of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester ("CYO, Inc.") is a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to New York's Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, with its principal office at 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. Defendant CYO, Inc. is the legal successor to Defendant Catholic Charities.

#### FACTS COMMON TO ALL CLAIMS

22. Plaintiff and his family were parishioners of and attended St. Michael's when Plaintiff was a minor child. Plaintiff served as an altar boy at St. Michael's. Plaintiff also attended the parochial elementary school affiliated with St. Michael's.

23. Father Francis H. Vogt ("Father Vogt") was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in approximately 1938. From approximately 1938 to approximately 1942, Father Vogt served as a priest at Defendant St. Anthony's. From approximately 1947 to approximately 1950, Father Vogt served as a priest at Defendant St. Francis. From approximately 1951 to approximately 1953, Father Vogt served as a priest at St. Salome. From approximately 1954 to approximately 1977, Father Vogt served as the pastor of Defendant St. Bridget's. Father Vogt died in 2006.

24. Father Guli was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in approximately 1956. From approximately 1956 to approximately 1957, Father Guli served as a priest at Defendant St. Mary's. From approximately 1957 to approximately 1960, Father Guli served as a priest at Defendant Holy Apostles Church. From approximately 1960 to

approximately 1962, Father Guli served as a priest at Defendant St. Anthony's. From approximately 1967 to approximately 1971, Father Guli served as a priest at St. Ambrose Church.

25. Prior to Father Vogt being assigned to Defendant St. Bridget's, Defendants St. Anthony's, St. Francis, and St. Salome, and their respective executive officers knew or should have known it was not safe to allow Father Vogt to have unsupervised contact with minor children, in that Father Vogt posed a sexual danger to minor children. The Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester concealed the information about the danger Father Vogt posed to minor children, in order that the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester could assign Father Vogt to work at parishes, including St. Bridget's. Defendants St. Anthony's, St. Francis, and St. Salome aided and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing the information about the danger Father Vogt posed to minor children.

26. Prior to Father Guli being assigned to Defendant St. Michael's, Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church, and their respective executive officers knew or should have known it was not safe to allow Father Guli to have unsupervised contact with minor children, in that Father Guli posed a sexual danger to minor children. The Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester concealed the information about the danger Father Guli posed to minor children, in order that the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester could assign Father Guli to work at parishes, including St. Michael's. Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church aided and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing the information about the danger Father Guli posed to minor children.

27. Through his positions at, within, or for Defendant St. Bridget's, Father Vogt was put in direct contact with members of the Plaintiff's family, including Plaintiff, a minor parishioner and student of St. Michael's.

28. Through his positions at, within, or for Defendant St. Michael's, Father Guli was put in direct contact with members of Plaintiff's family, including Plaintiff, a minor parishioner and student of St. Michael's.

29. From approximately 1968 when Plaintiff was approximately 9 years of age, to approximately 1970 when Plaintiff was approximately 11 years of age, Father Vogt took Plaintiff swimming at the Catholic Charities facility located at or near 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester, Monroe County, New York. Father Vogt also lured Plaintiff to the St. Bridget's rectory.

30. Father Vogt used such encounters, gained through his position at St. Bridget's which granted him access to Plaintiff when Plaintiff was approximately 9 to 11 years of age, to sexually assault, sexually abuse, and/or have sexual contact with the Plaintiff on at least 5 occasions in violation of the laws of the State of New York.

31. From approximately 1971 when Plaintiff was approximately 12 years of age, to approximately 1973 when Plaintiff was approximately 14 years of age, Father Guli lured Plaintiff into St. Michael's rectory and into his personal vehicle. Father Guli also came into Plaintiff's home.

32. Father Guli used such occasions, gained through his position at St. Michael's which granted him access to Plaintiff when Plaintiff was approximately 12 to 14 years of age, to sexually assault, sexually abuse, and/or have sexual contact with the Plaintiff on at least 20 occasions in violation of the laws of the State of New York.

**Defendants' Responsibility for the Abuse Committed by Father Vogt**

33. At all times material hereto, Father Vogt was under the management, supervision, employ, direction and/or control of Defendants St. Bridget's, St. Anthony's, St. Francis, St. Salome, and Catholic Charities.

34. Through his position at, within, or for Defendants St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities, Father Vogt was put in direct contact with Plaintiff.

35. Father Vogt used his positions at, within, or for Defendants St. Bridget's

and Catholic Charities and the implicit representations made by Defendants St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities about Father Vogt's character that accompanied those positions, to gain Plaintiff's trust and confidence and to create an opportunity to be alone with, and to sexually touch, Plaintiff.

36. Defendant St. Bridget's had the duty to reasonably manage, supervise, control and/or direct priests who served at St. Bridget's, and specifically, had a duty not to aid pedophiles such as Father Vogt by assigning, maintaining, and/or appointing them to positions with access to minors.

37. Defendant St. Anthony's had a duty to reasonably supervise, direct, manage, and control Father Vogt when Father Vogt was assigned to St. Anthony's. Defendant St. Anthony's had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Vogt posed a danger to minor children when he had contact with such minors, especially when Defendant St. Anthony's knew or should have known that Father Vogt posed such a danger and Father Vogt was being transferred to other parishes where he would have unsupervised contact with minors. Defendant St. Anthony's assisted, aided, and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information showing that Father Vogt posed a danger to minor children from parishes to which Father Vogt was subsequently assigned.

38. Defendant St. Francis had a duty to reasonably supervise, direct, manage, and control Father Vogt when Father Vogt was assigned to St. Francis. Defendant St. Francis had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Vogt posed a danger to minor children when he had contact with such minors, especially when Defendant St. Francis knew or should have known that Father Vogt posed such a danger and Father Vogt was being transferred to other parishes where he would have unsupervised contact with minors. Defendant St. Francis assisted, aided and abetted the

Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information showing that Father Vogt posed a danger to minor children from parishes to which Father Vogt was subsequently assigned.

39. Defendant St. Salome had a duty to reasonably supervise, direct, manage, and control Father Vogt when Father Vogt was assigned to St. Salome. Defendant St. Salome had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Vogt posed a danger to minor children when he had contact with such minors, especially when Defendant St. Salome knew or should have known that Father Vogt posed such a danger and Father Vogt was being transferred to other parishes where he would have unsupervised contact with minors. Defendant St. Salome assisted, aided and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information showing that Father Vogt posed a danger to minor children from parishes to which Father Vogt was subsequently assigned.

40. As a result of Defendants St. Anthony's, St. Francis', and St. Salome's, assisting, aiding and abetting the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Vogt posed a danger to minor children, Father Vogt was assigned to St. Bridget's without any notice to the parishioners of St. Bridget's about the danger Father Vogt posed to minor children. As a result, Father Vogt had unsupervised access to Plaintiff, a minor child, who Father Vogt sexually abused.

41. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's, St. Anthony's, St. Francis, St. Salome and Catholic Charities knew and/or reasonably should have known, and/or knowingly condoned, and/or covered up, the inappropriate and unlawful sexual activities of Father Vogt, who sexually abused Plaintiff.

42. Defendant St. Bridget's had a duty to the Plaintiff to properly supervise St. Bridget's priests to ensure that priests did not use their positions with St. Bridget's as a



tool for grooming and assaulting vulnerable children. Defendant St. Bridget's knew or should have known that Father Vogt used his positions with St. Bridget's to sexually abuse minor children, including the Plaintiff.

43. Defendant St. Michael's and Catholic Charities had a duty to the Plaintiff to supervise minors during the times that minors attended school and church at St. Michael's and used Catholic Charities facilities to ensure that pedophiles did not use St. Michael's and Catholic Charities facilities as places to groom and assault vulnerable children. Defendant St. Michael's and Catholic Charities knew or should have known that Father Vogt used these facilities to sexually abuse minor children, including the Plaintiff.

**Defendants' Responsibility for the Abuse Committed by Father Guli**

44. At all times material hereto, Father Guli was under the management, supervision, employ, direction and/or control of Defendants St. Michael's, St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church.

45. Through his position at, within, or for Defendants St. Michael's, St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church, Father Guli was put in direct contact with Plaintiff.

46. Father Guli used his positions at, within, or for Defendants St. Michael's, St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church and the implicit representations made by Defendants St. Michael's, St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church about Father Guli's character that accompanied those positions, to gain Plaintiff's trust and confidence and to create an opportunity to be alone with, and to sexually touch, Plaintiff.

47. Defendant St. Michael's had the duty to reasonably manage, supervise, control and/or direct priests who served at St. Michael's, and specifically, had a duty not to aid pedophiles such as Father Guli by assigning, maintaining, and/or appointing them to positions with access to minors.

48. Defendant St. Mary's had a duty to reasonably supervise, direct, manage, and control Father Guli when Father Guli was assigned to St. Mary's. Defendant St. Mary's had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children when he had contact with such minors, especially when Defendant St. Mary's knew or should have known that Father Guli posed such a danger and Father Guli was being transferred to other parishes where he would have unsupervised contact with minors. Defendant St. Mary's assisted, aided, and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information showing that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children from parishes to which Father Guli was subsequently assigned.

49. Defendant Holy Apostles Church had a duty to reasonably supervise, direct, manage, and control Father Guli when Father Guli was assigned to Holy Apostles Church. Defendant Holy Apostles Church had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children when he had contact with such minors, especially when Defendant Holy Apostles Church knew or should have known that Father Guli posed such a danger and Father Guli was being transferred to other parishes where he would have unsupervised contact with minors. Defendant Holy Apostles Church assisted, aided and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information showing that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children from parishes to which Father Guli was subsequently assigned.

50. Defendant St. Anthony's had a duty to reasonably supervise, direct, manage, and control Father Guli when Father Guli was assigned to St. Anthony's. Defendant St. Anthony's had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed

that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children when he had contact with such minors, especially when Defendant St. Anthony's knew or should have known that Father Guli posed such a danger and Father Guli was being transferred to other parishes where he would have unsupervised contact with minors. Defendant St. Anthony's assisted, aided and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information showing that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children from parishes to which Father Guli was subsequently assigned.

51. Defendant St. Ambrose Church had a duty to reasonably supervise, direct, manage, and control Father Guli when Father Guli was assigned to St. Ambrose Church. Defendant St. Ambrose Church had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children when he had contact with such minors, especially when Defendant St. Ambrose Church knew or should have known that Father Guli posed such a danger and Father Guli was being transferred to other parishes where he would have unsupervised contact with minors. Defendant St. Ambrose Church assisted, aided and abetted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information showing that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children from parishes to which Father Guli was subsequently assigned.

52. As a result of Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostle Church's, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church's assisting, aiding and abetting the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing information which would have disclosed that Father Guli posed a danger to minor children, Father Guli was assigned to St. Michael's without any notice to the parishioners of St. Michael's about the danger Father Guli posed to minor children. As a result, Father Guli had unsupervised access to Plaintiff, a minor child, who Father Guli sexually abused.

53. Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostle Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church knew and/or reasonably should have known, and/or knowingly

condoned, and/or covered up, the inappropriate and unlawful sexual activities of Father Guli, who sexually abused Plaintiff.

54. Defendant St. Michael's had a duty to the Plaintiff to properly supervise St. Michael's priests to ensure that priests did not use their positions with St. Michael's as a tool for grooming and assaulting vulnerable children. Defendant St. Michael's knew or should have known that Father Guli used his positions with St. Michael's to sexually abuse minor children, including the Plaintiff.

55. Defendant St. Michael's had a duty to the Plaintiff to supervise minors during the times that minors attended school and church at St. Michael's to ensure that pedophiles did not use St. Michael's as places to groom and assault vulnerable children. Defendant St. Michael's knew or should have known that Father Guli used St. Michael's to sexually abuse minor children, including the Plaintiff.

#### **Consequences of the Abuse**

56. Plaintiff suffered personal physical and psychological injuries and damages as a result of Father Vogt's and Father Guli's actions, as well as other damages related thereto, as a result of the childhood sexual abuse Plaintiff sustained.

57. As a direct result of the Defendants' conduct described herein, Plaintiff suffered and will continue to suffer great pain of mind and body, severe and permanent emotional distress, and physical manifestations of emotional distress. Plaintiff was prevented from obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling; and has incurred and will continue to incur loss of income and/or loss of earning capacity. As a victim of Father Vogt's and Father Guli's sexual abuse, Plaintiff is unable at this time to fully describe all of the details of that abuse and the extent of the harm he suffered as a result.

**CAUSES OF ACTION****FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION****Assault – Father Guli**

58. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

59. In approximately 1971 when Plaintiff was approximately 12 years of age, to approximately 1973 when Plaintiff was approximately 14 years of age, Father Guli intentionally touched Plaintiff's body when Father Guli engaged in the sexual behavior and lewd and lascivious conduct described above. Such conduct placed Plaintiff in imminent apprehension of harmful contact, including apprehension of further sexual contact.

60. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Father Guli's actions, which included but were not limited to placing the Plaintiff in imminent and reasonable apprehension of harmful and offensive contact, Plaintiff suffered and will continue to suffer the severe injuries and damages described herein, including but not limited to, mental and emotional distress.

61. By reason of the foregoing, Defendant Father Guli is liable to Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

**SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION****Battery – Father Guli**

62. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

63. In approximately 1971 when Plaintiff was approximately 12 years of age, to approximately 1973 when Plaintiff was approximately 14 years of age, Father Guli intentionally touched Plaintiff's body when Father Guli engaged in the sexual behavior and lewd and lascivious conduct described above. Such bodily contact was offensive and without consent, because Plaintiff, as a minor, was incapable of consenting to these acts.

64. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Father Guli's actions, which

included but were not limited to unjustified harmful and offensive physical contact and touching, Plaintiff suffered and will continue to suffer the severe injuries and damages described herein, including but not limited to, mental and emotional distress.

65. By reason of the foregoing, Defendant Father Guli is liable to Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress – Father Guli**

66. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

67. By engaging in the explicit sexual behavior and lewd and lascivious conduct described above, either Defendant Father Guli intended to inflict emotional distress upon Plaintiff, or Defendant Father Guli knew or should have known and recklessly disregarded the substantial likelihood that severe emotional distress would be the likely result of her conduct.

68. The conduct of Defendant Father Guli in engaging in the explicit sexual behavior and lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor described above is extreme and outrageous, beyond all possible bounds of decency, and utterly intolerable in a civilized society.

69. The mental distress and emotional injuries Plaintiff suffered and will continue to suffer were and are lasting and severe.

70. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant Father Guli engaging in the explicit sexual behavior and lewd and lascivious conduct described above, Plaintiff suffered and will continue to suffer the severe injuries described herein.

71. By reason of the foregoing, Defendant Father Guli is liable to Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

## FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

**Negligent Hiring/Retention/Supervision/Direction**

72. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

73. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities owed a duty of care to all minor persons, including Plaintiff, who were likely to come within the influence or supervision of Father Vogt and Father Guli in their role as priest, counselor, trustee, director, officer, employee, agent, servant and/or volunteer, to insure that Father Vogt and Father Guli did not use their assigned position to injure minors by sexual assault, sexual abuse, or sexual contact in violation of the laws of the State of New York.

74. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities at all relevant times held their facilities out to be safe places for minors to attend or visit, and Defendant St. Michael's and St. Bridget's at all relevant times held its priests out as individuals to whom it was safe to entrust the care of minor children. Defendants St. Michael's, Catholic Charities and St. Bridget's entered into an express and/or implied duty to safely treat Plaintiff and assumed the duty to protect and care for him.

75. Father Vogt and Father Guli sexually assaulted, sexually abused, and/or had sexual contact with Plaintiff when Plaintiff was a minor in New York.

76. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities negligently hired, retained, directed, and supervised Father Vogt and Father Guli, though they knew or should have known that Father Vogt and Father Guli posed a threat of sexual abuse to minors.

77. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities knew or should have known of Father Vogt's and Father Guli's propensity for the conduct which caused Plaintiff's injuries prior to, or at the time of, the injuries' occurrence.

78. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities were negligent in failing to properly supervise Father Vogt and Father Guli.

79. The sexual abuse of children by adults, including priests, is a foreseeable result of negligence.

80. At all times material hereto, Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities' actions were willful, wanton, malicious, reckless, negligent and/or outrageous in their disregard for the rights and safety of Plaintiff.

81. As a direct and proximate result, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer the injuries described herein.

82. Liabilities of Defendant St. Michael's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. As a result, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Michael's stated in this cause of action.

83. Liabilities of Defendant St. Bridget's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Immaculate Conception. As a result, Defendant Immaculate Conception is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Bridget's stated in this cause of action.

84. Liabilities of Defendant Catholic Charities were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant CYO, Inc. As a result, Defendant CYO, Inc. is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant Catholic Charities stated in this cause of action.

85. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants St. Bridget's, Immaculate Conception, Catholic Charities, and CYO, Inc. are liable to the Plaintiff, jointly, severally and/or in the alternative liable to the Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

**FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**Negligence/Gross Negligence**

86. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

87. Defendants knew, or were negligent in not knowing, that Father Vogt and



Father Guli posed a threat of sexual abuse to children.

88. The acts of Father Vogt and Father Guli described hereinabove were undertaken, and/or enabled by, and/or during the course, and/or within the scope of their respective employment, appointment, assignment, and/or agency with Defendants.

89. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities owed Plaintiff, a minor at the relevant times of abuse, a duty to protect him from Father Vogt's and Father Guli's sexual deviancy and the consequential damages, both prior to and/or subsequent to Father Vogt's and Father Guli's misconduct.

90. Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, St. Ambrose Church, St. Francis, and St. Salome had a duty not to assist, aid and abet the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in concealing the danger Father Vogt and Father Guli posed to minor children.

91. Defendants' willful, wanton, grossly negligent and/or negligent act(s) of commission and/or omission, resulted directly and/or proximately in the damage set forth herein at length.

92. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities:

- a. gave improper or ambiguous orders or failed to make proper regulations, and/or employed improper persons or instrumentalities in work involving risk of harm to others;
- b. failed adequately to supervise the activities of Father Vogt and Father Guli;
- c. permitted, and/or intentionally failed and/or neglected to prevent, negligent and/or grossly negligent conduct and/or allowed other tortious conduct by persons, whether or not their servants and/or agents and/or employees, upon premises or with instrumentalities under their control; and
- d. allowed the acts of omission and/or commission and/or any or all of

the allegations set forth in this Complaint to occur.

93. At all times material hereto, with regard to the allegations contained herein, Father Vogt and Father Guli was under the supervision, employ, direction and/or control of Defendants.

94. At all times material hereto, Defendants' actions were willful, wanton, malicious, reckless, negligent and outrageous in their disregard for the rights and safety of Plaintiff, which amounted to conduct equivalent to criminality.

95. As a direct and/or indirect result of said conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer the injuries and damages described herein.

96. Liabilities of Defendant St. Michael's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. As a result, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Michael's stated in this cause of action.

97. Liabilities of Defendant St. Ambrose Church were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Peace of Christ Parish. As a result, Defendant Peace of Christ Parish is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Ambrose Church stated in this cause of action.

98. Liabilities of Defendant St. Bridget's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Immaculate Conception. As a result, Defendant Immaculate Conception is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Bridget's stated in this cause of action.

99. Liabilities of Defendant St. Anthony's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Blessed Sacrament. As a result, Defendant Blessed Sacrament is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Anthony's stated in this cause of action.

100. Liabilities of Defendant Blessed Sacrament were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Most Holy Name. As a result, Defendant Most Holy Name is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Anthony's stated in this cause of action.

101. Liabilities of Defendant St. Salome were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Kateri Tekakwitha. As a result, Defendant Kateri Tekakwitha is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Salome stated in this cause of action.

102. Liabilities of Defendant Catholic Charities were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant CYO, Inc. As a result, Defendant CYO, Inc. is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant Catholic Charities stated in this cause of action.

103. By reason of the foregoing, the Defendants are liable to the Plaintiff, jointly, severally and/or in the alternative liable to the Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

**SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**Breach of Non-Delegable Duty**

104. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

105. Plaintiff, when he was a minor, was placed in the care and supervision of the Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities for the purposes of, *inter alia*, providing Plaintiff with a safe environment in which to participate in religious, educational, youth and recreational activities. There existed a non-delegable duty of trust between Plaintiff and Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities.

106. Plaintiff was a vulnerable child when placed within the care of Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities.

107. As a consequence, Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities were in the best position to prevent Plaintiff's abuse, to learn of Father Vogt's and Father Guli's repeated sexual abuse of Plaintiff, and to stop it.

108. By virtue of the fact that Plaintiff was sexually abused as a minor child entrusted to the care of the Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities, Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities breached their non-delegable duty to Plaintiff.

109. At all times material hereto Father Vogt was under the supervision, employ, direction and/or control of the Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities.

110. At all times material hereto, Father Guli was under the supervision, employ, direction and/or control of the Defendants St. Michael's.

111. As a direct result of said conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer the injuries and damages described herein.

112. Liabilities of Defendant St. Michael's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. As a result, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Michael's stated in this cause of action.

113. Liabilities of Defendant St. Bridget's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Immaculate Conception. As a result, Defendant Immaculate Conception is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Bridget's stated in this cause of action.

114. Liabilities of Defendant Catholic Charities were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant CYO, Inc. As a result, Defendant CYO, Inc. is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant Catholic Charities stated in this cause of action.

115. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants St. Bridget's, Immaculate Conception, Catholic Charities, and CYO, Inc. are liable to the Plaintiff, jointly, severally and/or in the alternative liable to the Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

#### SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

##### Breach of Fiduciary Duty

116. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

117. There exists a fiduciary relationship of trust, confidence, and reliance

between Plaintiff and Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities. This relationship is based on the entrustment of the Plaintiff while he was a minor child to the care and supervision of the agent or servant of the Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities. This entrustment of the Plaintiff to the care and supervision of the Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities, while the Plaintiff was a minor child, required the Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities to assume a fiduciary relationship and to act in the best interests of the Plaintiff, as well as to protect him while he was a minor and vulnerable child.

118. Pursuant to their fiduciary relationship, Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities were entrusted with the well-being, care, and safety of Plaintiff.

119. Pursuant to their fiduciary relationship, Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities assumed a duty to act in the best interests of Plaintiff.

120. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities breached their fiduciary duty to Plaintiff.

121. At all times material hereto, the actions and/or inactions of Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities were willful, wanton, malicious, reckless, negligent and outrageous in their disregard for the rights and safety of Plaintiff.

122. As a direct result of said conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer the injuries and damages described herein.

123. Liabilities of Defendant St. Michael's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. As a result, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Michael's stated in this cause of action.

124. Liabilities of Defendant St. Bridget's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Immaculate Conception. As a result, Defendant Immaculate Conception is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Bridget's stated in this

cause of action.

125. Liabilities of Defendant Catholic Charities were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant CYO, Inc. As a result, Defendant CYO, Inc. is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant Catholic Charities stated in this cause of action.

126. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants St. Bridget's, Immaculate Conception, Catholic Charities, and CYO, Inc. are liable to the Plaintiff, jointly, severally and/or in the alternative liable to the Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

#### **EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

##### **Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress**

127. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

128. As described above, the actions of Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities, their agents, servants, and/or employees were conducted in a negligent and/or grossly negligent manner.

129. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities' actions endangered Plaintiff's safety and caused him to fear for his own safety.

130. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities' actions, which included but were not limited to negligent and/or grossly negligent conduct, Plaintiff suffered and will continue to suffer the severe injuries and damages described herein, including but not limited to, mental and emotional distress.

131. Liabilities of Defendant St. Michael's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. As a result, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Michael's stated in this cause of action.

132. Liabilities of Defendant St. Bridget's were transferred to, or assumed by,

Defendant Immaculate Conception. As a result, Defendant Immaculate Conception is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Bridget's stated in this cause of action.

133. Liabilities of Defendant Catholic Charities were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant CYO, Inc. As a result, Defendant CYO, Inc. is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant Catholic Charities stated in this cause of action.

134. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants St. Bridget's, Immaculate Conception, Catholic Charities, and CYO, Inc. are liable to the Plaintiff, jointly, severally and/or in the alternative liable to the Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

#### NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION

##### **Breach of Duty *in Loco Parentis***

135. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

136. While he was a minor, Plaintiff was entrusted by his parents to the control of the Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities, as well as directly to Father Vogt and Father Guli, agents or servants of Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities, for the purposes of *inter alia*, providing Plaintiff with appropriate guidance and an opportunity to enjoy educational and youth activities under responsible adult supervision. These Defendants owe — and owed — a duty to children entrusted to them to act *in loco parentis* and to prevent foreseeable injuries.

137. Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities breached their duty to act *in loco parentis*.

138. At all times material hereto, Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic Charities' actions were willful, wanton, malicious, reckless, negligent, grossly negligent and/or outrageous in their disregard for the rights and safety of Plaintiff.

139. As a direct result of Defendants St. Michael's, St. Bridget's and Catholic

Charities' conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer the injuries and damages described herein.

140. Liabilities of Defendant St. Michael's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. As a result, Defendant St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Michael's stated in this cause of action.

141. Liabilities of Defendant St. Bridget's were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Immaculate Conception. As a result, Defendant Immaculate Conception is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Bridget's stated in this cause of action.

142. Liabilities of Defendant Catholic Charities were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant CYO, Inc. As a result, Defendant CYO, Inc. is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant Catholic Charities stated in this cause of action.

143. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants St. Bridget's, Immaculate Conception, Catholic Charities, and CYO, Inc. are liable to the Plaintiff, jointly, severally and/or in the alternative liable to the Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

**TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**Aiding and Abetting Fraud**

144. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in paragraphs 1 through 57 as if fully set forth herein.

145. The Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester fraudulently concealed from the parishioners of St. Michael's and St. Bridget's information that would have shown Father Vogt and Father Guli were dangers to minor children.

146. Defendants St. Anthony's, St. Francis, and St. Salome had information that would have shown Father Vogt was a danger to minor children. Defendants St. Anthony's, St. Francis, and St. Salome assisted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar



General of Rochester in fraudulently concealing information from the parishioners about the danger Father Vogt posed to parishioners.

147. Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church had information that would have shown Father Guli was a danger to minor children. Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, and St. Ambrose Church assisted the Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General of Rochester in fraudulently concealing information from the parishioners about the danger Father Guli posed to parishioners.

148. If the information about the danger Father Vogt and Father Guli posed to minors had not been concealed from parishioners, Father Vogt and Father Guli could not have been assigned to St. Bridget's and St. Michael's where Father Vogt and Father Guli sexually assaulted, sexually abused, and/or had sexual contact with the Plaintiff.

149. To assist Rochester's Roman Catholic Bishop and Vicar General in fraudulently concealing the information about Father Vogt and Father Guli, Defendants St. Mary's, Holy Apostles Church, St. Anthony's, St. Ambrose Church, St. Francis, and St. Salome failed to disclose Father Vogt's and Father Guli's propensity to sexually abuse minors, and intentionally concealed knowledge of Father Vogt's and Father Guli's inappropriate and unlawful sexual activities, knowing that minor children, including Plaintiff, in other parishes where Father Vogt and Father Guli were assigned would rely upon this material omission.

150. As a direct and/or indirect result of said conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer the injuries and damages described herein.

151. Liabilities of Defendant St. Ambrose Church were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Peace of Christ Parish. As a result, Defendant Peace of Christ Parish is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Ambrose Church stated in this cause of action.

152. Liabilities of Defendant St. Anthony's were transferred to, or assumed by,

Defendant Blessed Sacrament. As a result, Defendant Blessed Sacrament is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Anthony's stated in this cause of action.

153. Liabilities of Defendant Blessed Sacrament were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Most Holy Name. As a result, Defendant Most Holy Name is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Anthony's stated in this cause of action.

154. Liabilities of Defendant St. Salome were transferred to, or assumed by, Defendant Kateri Tekakwitha. As a result, Defendant Kateri Tekakwitha is liable to the Plaintiff for the damages caused by Defendant St. Salome stated in this cause of action.

155. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants St. Anthony's, Blessed Sacrament, Most Holy Name, St. Francis, St. Salome, and Kateri Tekakwitha are liable to the Plaintiff, jointly, severally and/or in the alternative liable to the Plaintiff for compensatory damages and for punitive damages, together with interest and costs.

WHEREFORE Plaintiff, demands judgment against the Defendants on each cause of action as follows:

- A. Awarding compensatory damages in an amount to be proved at trial, but in any event in an amount that exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts which would otherwise have jurisdiction;
- B. Awarding punitive damages to the extent permitted by law;
- C. Awarding prejudgment interest to the extent permitted by law;
- D. Awarding costs and fees of this action, including attorneys' fees, to the extent permitted by law; and
- E. Awarding such other and further relief as to this Court may seem just and proper.

### **JURY DEMAND**

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

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